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- b) a fully executed Declaration;
- c) translation of the application into English; and
- d) a check in the amount of \$260.00 for late filing of the Declaration by a large entity and the submission of English translation of the Japanese application filed on February 13, 2006.

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In view of the foregoing, it is believed that this application is now complete. Early examination of the application on its merits is solicited.

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